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In re Application of  
Hiroshi Yoshida et al.  
Application No. 09/590,022  
Filed: June 8, 2000  
Attorney Docket No.: FUJS 14.234A  
Title: POINTER PROCESSING  
APPARATUS, POH TERMINATING PROCESS  
APPARATUS, METHOD OF POH  
TERMINATING PROCESS AND  
POINTER/POH TERMINATING PROCESS  
APPARATUS IN SDH TRANSMISSION  
SYSTEM

**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**  
DECISION ON PETITION UNDER  
37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b)<sup>1</sup>, filed April 20, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to submit the issue fee in a timely manner in reply to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, mailed December 20, 2004, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time are permitted for transmitting issue fees<sup>2</sup>. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on March 21, 2005.

With the petition, Petitioner has submitted the petition fee, the issue fee, and the proper statement of unintentional delay. Petitioner has met all requirements for a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b). As such, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publications for further processing into a patent. The general phone number for the Office of Petitions which should be used for status requests is (571) 272-3282. Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3225.

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1 A grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by:

- (1) The reply required to the outstanding Office action or notice, unless previously filed;
- (2) The petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m);
- (3) A statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional, and;
- (4) Any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20(d)) required pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section.

2 See MPEP §710.02(e).